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RESPONSE TO ACTION MAILED NOVEMBER 1, 1996

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Change the title to: "Bitmap Image Compressing".

In the Claims:

Amend the following claims:

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1. (AMENDED ONCE) A method of compressing an image having at least three textures, comprising:

generating a map representing boundaries separating regions in said image, the map comprising a bitmap, said boundaries comprising pixels; and

generating pointers, each of said pointers associating one of said regions with one of said textures, said regions comprising pixels.

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2. (AMENDED ONCE) The method of claim 1 wherein [said map comprises a bitmap,] said boundaries comprise pixels of a first value, and said regions comprise pixels of values other than said first value.

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